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20 October 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Personnel Ceiling Distribution and Reimbursement for Detailed Military Personnel and Services Rendered to Support of CIA

1. On 12 October 1959 I telephoned Colonel Edward G. Lansdale in General Erskine's office to tell him that we had some questions concerning the proposed draft of a Memorandum of Understanding on the subject of "Military Personnel Support for CIA" which has been XXXXXXXX transmitted with General Erskine's memorandum of 17 September 1959. It was agreed that we would meet in my office at 11:00 a.m. on 13 October 1959 to pursue this subject. The following were present at this meeting: Colonel Lansdale and Captain Spore, Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Houston.

2. I pointed out to Colonel Lansdale and Captain Spore that the Memorandum of Understanding as drafted would, in our judgment, make it necessary for us to pick up on our ceiling those personnel not actually under our command but who devote substantially full-time support to our operational requirements and that this would be inconsistent with the Director's letter of 16 May 1959 to the Secretary of Defense; therefore, I presumed that this was not intended since it was inconsistent with our earlier conversations. Colonel Lansdale explained that the Air Force had changed their position and that it was, in fact, intended that we pick up in our personnel ceiling all of these people--not just those under our command. In the brief discussion which followed Lansdale and Spore said that the Air Force XXXXX thought that this would actually save us a great deal of money in paying for the salaries of these personnel in lieu of paying for the work which they did for us and that we would find it much cheaper. I expressed my disappointment at this turn of events and stated that I would have to discuss the matter further within the Agency, and, in the XXXXX final analysis, with General Cabell and Mr. Dulles. Captain Spore undertook to supply me with the number and location of personnel spaces involved, together with the financial statistics which would indicate that we might find it more economical to handle the problem in this way.

3. On 19 October 1959 Captain Spore returned to my office to supply the above mentioned statistics. He said that in further exploration of the matter he had found that our earlier discussion about savings was not realistic and that, in fact, there would not be any such savings. Insofar as the specific location and position spaces were concerned, he reported as follows:

To be picked up on our ceiling

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I advised Captain Spore that I was not convinced that this was a logical division of personnel ceiling and space allocation and that I felt we would want to discuss this matter further directly with the Air Force. I agreed to get in touch with him within the next few days to advise him as to the next step I thought would be in order.

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(Support)

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